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In re: Lloyd R. Anderson
Appl. No.: 10/643,780
Filed: August 19, 2003
For: RIGID BALLOON

Confirmation No.: 4113
Art Unit: 3711
Examiner: Kien T. Nguyen

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Sir:

Attached are two Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) that were previously submitted in a timely manner in the above-referenced case. The above case has been allowed, but Applicant has yet to receive initialed copies of these IDSs from the Patent Office evidencing the Examiner's consideration of the IDSs. Below is a list of the IDSs and copies are enclosed herewith:

- 1) IDS filed November 25, 2003
- 2) IDS filed June 30, 2004
- 3) IDS filed May 31, 2005
- 4) IDS filed October 27, 2005

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the materials cited in these IDSs and return initialed copies to Applicant's counsel in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. Applicant has not resubmitted copies of foreign references or non-patent documents, as copies of these should already be in the file. Applicant will provide such copies on request.

Applicant notes that there is no fee due for the resubmittal of these IDSs, as they were previously timely submitted in the application. Applicant does not authorize charging of the Deposit Account for any fees relating to resubmittal of these IDSs.

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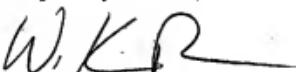
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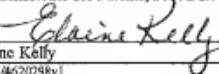
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	1	US-4,032,086	06-28-1977	Cooke	
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	3	US-4,113,206	09-12-1978	Wheeler	
	4	US-4,925,426	05-15-1990	Lovik	
	5	US-5,115,997	05-26-1992	Peterson	
	6	US-5,115,998	05-26-1992	Olive	
	7	US-5,334,072	08-02-1994	Epstein	
	8	US-5,882,240	03-16-1999	Larsen	
	9	US-5,893,790	04-13-1999	Montgomery	
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	11	US-2001/0003505	06-14-2001	Bertrand	

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	12	JP 1238890	09-25-1989			

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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	13	Prior Art Helium Chamber Device sold more than one year prior to February 14, 2003.	

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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), before final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the following statement as specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) is made:

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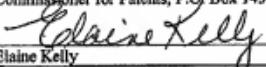


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	3	WO 00/10646	03-02-2000	Fire Flyz, Inc.		

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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	4	International Search Report (EPO), dated June 8, 2004	

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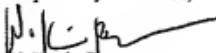
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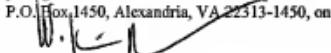
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2	US-D400,749	11-10-1998	Bechtold, Jr.		
3	US-R35,571	07-29-1997	McLeese		
4	US-1,190,743	07-11-1916	Fagool		
5	US-1,960,474	05-29-1934	Browne		
6	US-2,173,963	09-26-1939	Euhank		
7	US-2,360,715	10-17-1944	Perry		
8	US-3,602,930	09-07-1971	Channon		
9	US-3,775,782	12-04-1973	Rice et al.		
10	US-4,478,587	10-23-1984	Mackal		
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12	US-4,766,918	08-30-1988	Oderkirk		
13	US-4,917,646	04-17-1990	Kieves		
14	US-4,942,838	07-24-1990	Boyer et al.		
15	US-4,944,707	07-31-1990	Silverglate		
16	US-4,946,047	08-07-1990	Kurokawa		
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19	US-5,024,262	06-18-1991	Humg		
20	US-5,045,011	09-03-1991	Lovik		
21	US-5,070,807	12-10-1991	Lewis		
22	US-5,334,067	08-02-1994	Henry et al.		
23	US-5,338,243	08-16-1994	Kieves		
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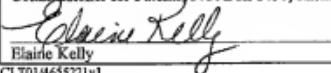
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